

ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Under Section 210 of the Erie County Charter, "during the first three months of the year following the year in which a federal decennial census is taken, an advisory committee shall be created to make recommendations to the county legislature on whether and how the county legislature should be reapportioned consistent with federal and state law."

In 2020, the US Bureau of the Census conducted its decennial census of the United States. While the Census Bureau's work has not yet been completed, nor the 2020 Census certified and finalized by the federal government, the Erie County Charter specifies and delineates a process in which the Erie County Legislature must act to establish an Advisory Committee on Reapportionment in early 2021.

Section 210 of the Charter states: "During the first two months (after the decennial census is held) the chairman of the county legislature shall give public notice of the intent to create such an advisory committee and shall invite interested persons and groups to inform the county legislature of their availability to serve on such an advisory committee."

Accordingly, this public notice serves to announce that the Erie County Legislature is hereby soliciting candidates interested in serving on the 2021 Erie County Advisory Committee on Reapportionment. Persons interested in serving should submit a cover letter describing your interest in serving, as well as their resume/curriculum vitae. Please submit your package by 5 pm (EST) on February 26, 2021.

You may submit your cover letter and resume by emailing the package to the Clerk of the Legislature at Robert.Graber@erie.gov, by mailing the package to Robert M. Graber, Clerk, Erie County Legislature, 92 Franklin Street, Fourth Floor, Buffalo, NY 14202, or by faxing your package to 716-858-8895. Please be aware that your package will be considered a public document, and will be clocked into the public record.

Section 210 Provisions on the Membership and Final Report of the Advisory Committee on Reapportionment

The county legislature shall appoint the advisory committee consisting of fifteen members, as follows: the chairman of the county legislature or his or her designee, the majority and minority leaders of the legislature or their designees, the commissioners of the board of elections or their designees, and ten residents of Erie county representing interested community groups, five of whom shall be appointed by the majority leader and five of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader. The chairman of the advisory committee shall be appointed by the chairman of the legislature.

The advisory committee shall submit its final report to the county legislature within sixty days of its appointment or within sixty days of the official release of certified federal census data for Erie County, whichever is later. At any time prior to the expiration of this term, the county legislature may extend such term once, for a period not to exceed thirty days.